

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Break:

**REGION I** 

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Site: Bennington Break: 11.9 Other: Ben-rout

# <u>CERTIFIED MAIL--RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u> URGENT LEGAL MATTER -- PROMPT REPLY NECESSARY

November 17, 1994

James F. Hardymon President (Ben-Mont Corporation) c/o Textron, Inc. 40 Westminister Street Providence, RI 02903

Re: Meeting of Potentially Responsible Parties connected with Bennington Landfill Superfund Site, Bennington, VT

Dear Mr. Hardymon:

Your company or organization ("company") has received a notification of potential liability from the United States Environmental Protection Agency either recently in November, 1994 or previously in March, 1991. As was stated in that notification, EPA would like to encourage good faith negotiations between your company and the Agency, and among your company and other parties potentially responsible for the Site.

Your company will receive an additional notice in the spring of 1995 regarding negotiations to perform or finance design and implementation of the remedial action for the Site. In advance of that notice, EPA will be holding a meeting with all of the PRPs on <a href="Wednesday">Wednesday</a>, <a href="December 14">December 14</a>, <a href="1994">1994</a> at <a href="10:00">10:00</a> am</a> at EPA's office in Conference Rooms A & B, <a href="11">11</a> this meeting will be for EPA to provide your company with information about the remediation of the Site and the upcoming negotiations.

As was also stated in the notification your company received, EPA recommends that all potentially responsible parties ("PRPs") participate in a PRP steering committee which will function as a group representing and pursuing the interests of the PRPs. Some of the companies have formed a PRP steering committee which has been active in representing the interests of the PRPs to EPA. Please contact David Rosenblatt, Esq. at Burns & Levinson, 125 Summer Street, Boston, MA 02110 if your company would like to join the group or has questions concerning that process. In part, the meeting on December 14 will also be for the PRP steering committee to discuss its role in the upcoming negotiations and your company's participation in that process.



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The notification sent this November contained a list of each company who received notification either in March, 1991 or November, 1994. However, because the companies who received notification in March, 1991 did not receive this information, EPA is attaching to this letter a list of the parties who received notice in November, 1994 (Enclosure A) and a list of the names and address of the companies who received notification in March, 1991 (Enlosure B).

This information is being provided as a discretionary release of information to the potentially responsible parties, and should not be disclosed further or made publicly available in any context unless your company is given prior approval by EPA.

If you have any questions concerning any matter discussed in this letter, please call me at (617) 573-5768, or have your attorney call Dan Winograd of our Office of Regional Counsel at (617) 565-3686.

Very truly yours,

Indira Balkissoon
EPA Remedial Project Manager

cc: Daniel Winograd, EPA Office of Regional Counsel Hugh Martinez, EPA Office of Regional Counsel Mark DiStafano, Office of Vermont Attorney General Stanley Corneille, Vermont Remedial Project Manager

#### ENCLOSURE A

List of Names and Addresses of PRPs to whom the General Notice Letter was sent on 11/1/94.

Elizabeth Coleman President Bennington College Bennington, VT 05201

David Morgan General Manager Berkshire Clean-Way Rubbish P.O. Box 253 Dalton, MA 01226

Donald L. Rushford Vice Pres. & General Counsel Central Vermont Public Service 77 Grove Street Rutland, VT 05701

Ronald L. Pepin Creative Products 11A Morse Drive Essex Junction, VT 05452

Walter Noyes
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Bennington, VT 05201

George E. Hadwen\*
President
Hadwen, Inc.
RR 2 Box 2545
Charlotte, VT 05745-9613

Paul D. Merrill President Merrill Transport 100 Middle Street P.O. Box 9729 Portland, ME 04104-5029

Jay Whitten
Vice President
Monument Industries
P.O. Box 617
Bennington, VT 05201-0617

Scott Halpert Schmelzer Corporation c/o MASCO Corporation 21001 Van Born Road Taylor, MI 48180

Harvey Yorke President Southwestern Vermont Med. Ctr. 100 Hospital Drive East Bennington, VT 05201

Ray Pearman President Triangle Wire and Cable, Inc. 10 Lincoln Center Boulevard Lincoln, RI 02865

Raymond Prouty President U.S. Tsubaki, Inc. 119 Bowen Road Bennington, VT 05201

Patrick J. Garahan Secretary Vermont Agency of Transp. 133 State Street Montpelier, VT 05633-5001

James F. Comi President Heald Plastics c/o Vermont Bag and Film, Inc. P.O. Box 135 Bennington, VT 05201

John Wilson President Wilson Trucking Barber Pond Road Box 283 A Pownal, VT 05261

\* MOST CURRENT ADDRESS

#### ENCLOSURE B

List of Names and Addresses of PRPs to whom a General Notice Letter was sent to in March 1991.

Thomas Karazakis President ADD, INC. Pennysaver Press 109 South Street Bennington, VT 05201

Kenneth Olney President Arken Industries, Inc. Morse Industrial Park Bennington, VT 05201

Kelton Miller President Banner Publishing Corporation 425 Main Street Bennington, VT 05201

M. Leonard Lewis
President
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266 Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02116

Curtis L. Morin
President
Bennington Iron Works
Harmond Road
P.O. Box 798
Bennington, VT 05201

Richard H. Swenson Bennington Potters, Inc. 324 County Street P.O. Box 199 Bennington, VT 05201-0199

Bernard Bourgeois Bernie's Trucking 113 Adams Street Bennington, VT 05201 David Van Sickle Vice President BIJUR Lubricating Corp. 50 Kocher Drive Bennington, VT 05201-1994

Mortimer Krane Catamount Dyers 4 Margaret Lane Bennington, VT 05201

Charles Tilgner, III Chemical Fabrics Corp. Daniel Webster Highway P.O. Box 1137 Merrimack, NH 03054

Robert Church Church Septic Tank Service P.O. Box 1896, RR2 Bennington, VT 05201

Daniel Maneely President Courtnalds Structural 6 Shields Drive P.O. Box 618 Bennington, VT 05201

Robert H. Pedercini President Environmental Action, Inc. P.O. Box 589 North Adams, MA 01247

J.P. Mulcahy CEO Eveready Battery Ralston Purina Company One Checkerboard Square St. Louis, MO 63164

Thomas J. Courtney President Johnson Controls, Inc. P.O. Box 591 Milwaukee, WI 53210 William E. Lauzon President Lauzon Machine and Engine 757 Main Street P.O. Box 406 Bennington, VT 05201

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James F. Hardymon President (Ben-Mont Corporation) c/o Textron, Inc. 40 Westminister Street Providence, RI 02903

Stuart Hurd Town Manager Town of Bennington 205 South Street Bennington, VT 05201

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Jack Sweet Chapel Road Bennington, VT 05201

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